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Madison, Wisconsin -- Erik C. Peterson, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Jerome Green, 27, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, was sentenced today by U.S. District Judge Barbara B. Crabb to eight years in prison, without the possibility of parole, for unlawfully possessing a firearm as a convicted felon. Green pleaded guilty to this charge on November 17, 2006.

On April 29, 2005, Green, a/k/a "Red," was involved in a shooting in Fitchburg during an after-bar party. Phone calls Green subsequently made from the Dane County jail, as well as statements he made to fellow inmates, resulted in a search warrant being executed at Green's girlfriend's apartment in Milwaukee in August 2005. During the search, officers recovered a .380 caliber pistol. A ballistics analysis was conducted and it proved that the gun was used in the April 2005 shooting.

The charge against Green was the result of an investigation conducted by the Fitchburg Police Department. The prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Rita M. Rumbelow.

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